

EXPOSURE CONTROLLER OF A DIGITAL CAMERA

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

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An exposure controller of a digital camera, using an
5 image pick-up device, includes a photometering sensor, and
a control device. The control device calculates a first
exposure time in accordance with a photometering value
obtained via the photometering sensor, and performs a
pre-exposure in which a sensitive surface of the image
10 pick-up device is exposed at a second exposure time shorter
than the first exposure time. Thereafter, the control
device performs a main exposure in which the sensitive
surface of the image pick-up device is exposed at a third
exposure time obtained by changing the value of one of the
15 first exposure time and the second exposure time in
accordance with a picture signal output from the image
pick-up device, the picture signal being output when the
image pick-up device is exposed at the second exposure time
by the pre-exposure.